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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of Naoki TSUCHIYA, Yoshiyuki MATSUMOTO, Hiroshi SAITOU,  
and Tsuyoshi MIZUNO  
BENZIMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVE  
Assignee: **TEIJIN LIMITED**  
Our Ref: Q79844

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/169,866 (Confirmation No.1626) filed July 10, 2002 of TSUCHIYA, Naoki, MATSUMOTO, Yoshiyuki, SAITOU, Hiroshi, MIZUNO, Tsuyoshi entitled BENZIMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVE.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, an English translation of Article 34 amendments, an Information Disclosure Statement including Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (06-03), a Preliminary Amendment, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1626.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/169,866 filed July 10, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-007533	January 17, 2000
Japan	2000-392303	December 25, 2000

The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 10/169,866.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>20</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	X	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u>	X	\$86.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								<u>\$770.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u>\$290.00</u>

**TOTAL FILING FEE**

**\$1060.00**



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A check for the statutory fee of \$1060.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

A Petition and payment for an extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith in Application No. 10/169,866. The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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